



Read the text and complete the gaps. Drag and drop the items. Use a dictionary if necessary.

**SPIRITS**      **CHILDREN**      **HALLOWEEN**  
**NOVEMBER**      **TRICK**      **EYES**      **SCARY**

## Trick -or -Treating

In Britain and the USA, the 31st of October is an important date in the calendar, especially for young children. It is the night of Halloween. The name comes from "All Hallows Eve". The word 'hallow' means 'holy, saint' and 'eve' means 'the day or night before an important day' so it is the day before 1<sup>st</sup> \_\_\_\_\_.

Before Christianity, this was called All Saints' Day. It was the first day of the year. At this time, many people believed that bad \_\_\_\_\_ of the dead revisited their homes. They also believed that other evil spirits like witches <sup>1</sup> and demons <sup>2</sup> were free, too. For this reason, they were scared and stayed at home.

However, nowadays it is a different story. Today children have lots of fun on \_\_\_\_\_. They dress up as wizards <sup>3</sup>, devils, black cats, skeletons <sup>4</sup>, vampires <sup>5</sup> or other \_\_\_\_\_ characters. With the help of their parents, children make lanterns out of pumpkins <sup>6</sup> (also called jack o' lanterns). To make a pumpkin lantern you cut out the insides and then cut out two \_\_\_\_\_, a nose and a mouth in one side of the pumpkin. Next, you put a candle inside the pumpkin and light it. Now you have a jack o' lantern; you can make the faces as frightening as you like!

Small groups of \_\_\_\_\_ dressed up as witches, ghosts <sup>7</sup>, black cats, etc go into the street and knock on people's doors. When a person opens the door, the children say "Trick or Treat?" Most people usually say "Treat" and give the children some sweets <sup>8</sup> or small change (some money). However, if someone says "\_\_\_\_\_ ", then the children do something bad, for example, they put dirty water on the windows or car, ring the doorbell and run away, repeatedly knock on the window or throw flour on the floor... Water guns are very popular, too.

After spending the night Trick-or-Treating, the children go back home to eat the sweets. Sometimes, groups of friends have parties, where they eat food in the form of Halloween shapes, and play Halloween games. One game is called "Bobbing for Apples". In this game you have to pick up an apple with your mouth from a bowl of water, with your hands behind your back (you can't use your hands!). It's very difficult and you get a wet face but you have a great time!

You see the numbers in the text? Inside the **O**. Fill the boxes next to the pictures below according to these numbers:





Connect the answers to each question below:

EXAMPLE: QUESTION



ANSWER

1-What's another name for Halloween?

They give the children some sweets

2-What's the meaning of the word "hallo"?

It's Jack o' Lantern

3-Why was 1<sup>st</sup> November important in the past?

They do something bad

4-Are children scared on Halloween nowadays?

It means "holy, saint"

5-What's the name of the pumpkin with eyes, nose and mouth?

It is called "Bobbing for Apples"

6-What do people give the children when they say 'Trick or Treat'?

Actually, they have lots of fun on Halloween

7-What do the children do when the people say 'Trick'?

It was the first day of the year,  
the All Saints' Day

8-What's a typical game on Halloween?

It's All Hallows Eve

**EXAMPLE:** The words can be written straightforward or backwards (PUMPKIN or NIKPMUP) and in horizontal , vertical or diagonal .



To select a letter, click on the blue squares to turn them into purple squares, like it's shown in the example above.

HALLOWEEN Word Soup: Find 13 words or expressions from the text:

E	B	E	N	I	K	P	M	U	P	X	B	A	T	M
R	L	V	J	U	T	N	U	G	H	O	S	T	S	S
I	A	E	T	A	G	B	V	S	M	F	T	B	E	Z
P	C	S	O	R	C	X	U	T	S	S	O	L	L	T
M	Q	W	W	N	Z	K	A	O	K	E	P	E	E	D
A	C	O	G	F	T	P	O	E	S	P	R	O	T	Q
V	E	L	O	J	W	L	L	A	F	K	D	Q	I	
C	T	L	P	A	S	E	M	G	A	V	W	T	U	X
E	W	A	H	N	T	C	N	V	R	N	F	Y	C	F
V	I	H	B	O	P	I	A	V	D	P	T	A	C	Q
U	T	L	N	A	B	J	M	R	F	Y	R	E	H	A
F	C	L	J	B	X	Q	A	C	E	Y	T	A	R	X
T	H	A	O	O	B	Z	F	N	K	D	P	Y	W	N
X	Q	B	T	R	I	C	K	O	R	T	R	E	A	T
P	X	F	T	W	I	P	R	A	U	P	R	I	D	D

Write the appropriate word for these HALLOWEEN definitions from the word soup above.

**EXAMPLE:** -Wear special clothes for fun:

DRESSUP

-Phrase when you knock on someone's door:

Write in UPPER CASE and without "spaces"

- Woman who flies on a broomstick:
- Spirits of dead people:
- Original name for Halloween:
- Creature who drinks human blood:
- Afraid of something:
- Vegetable used to make a lantern:

- Game of apples on water:
- Person's bones without skin or flesh:
- Male witch:
- Animal form of a vampire:
- Pumpkin with a light:

